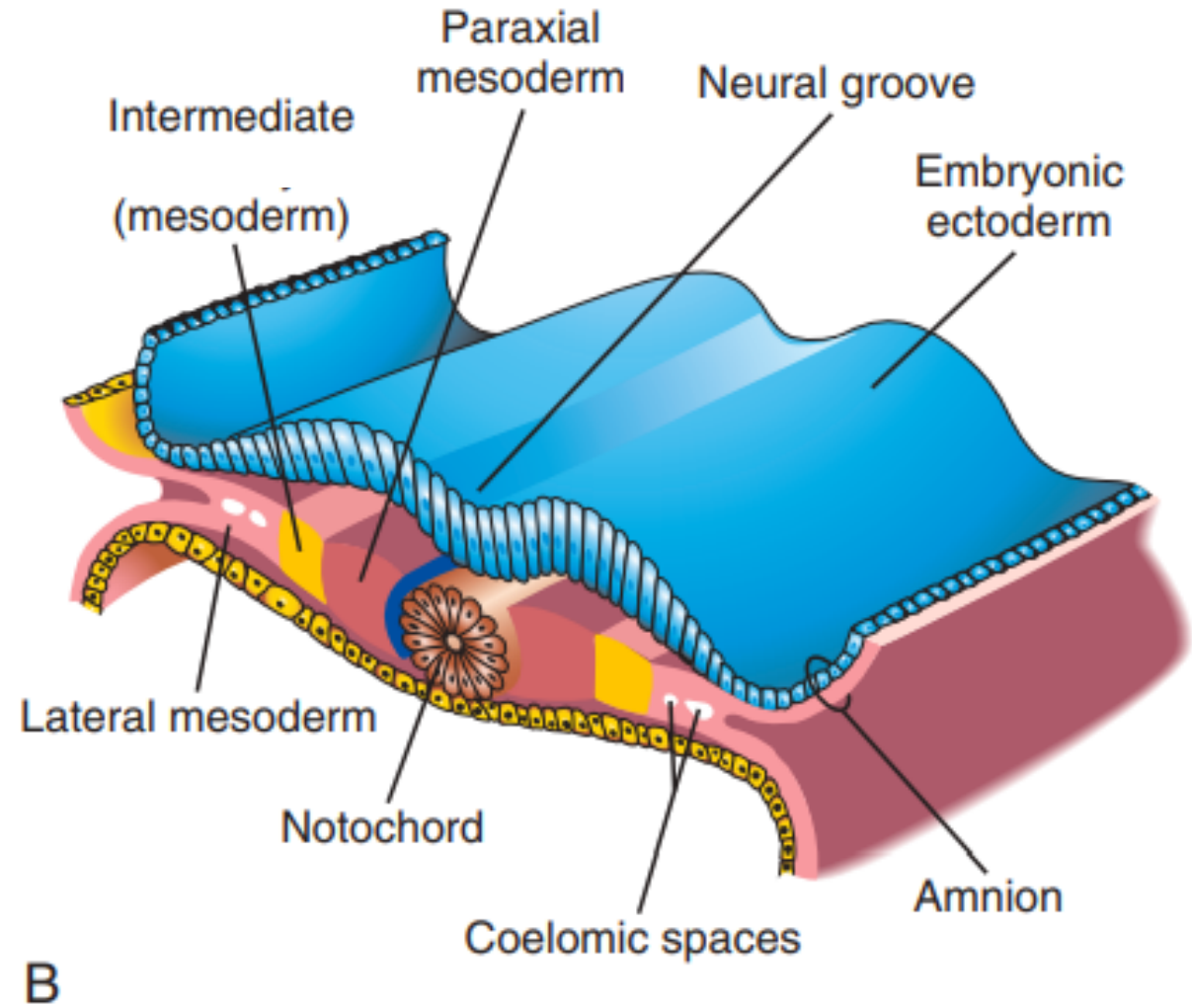


# Development and teratology of the urogenital system

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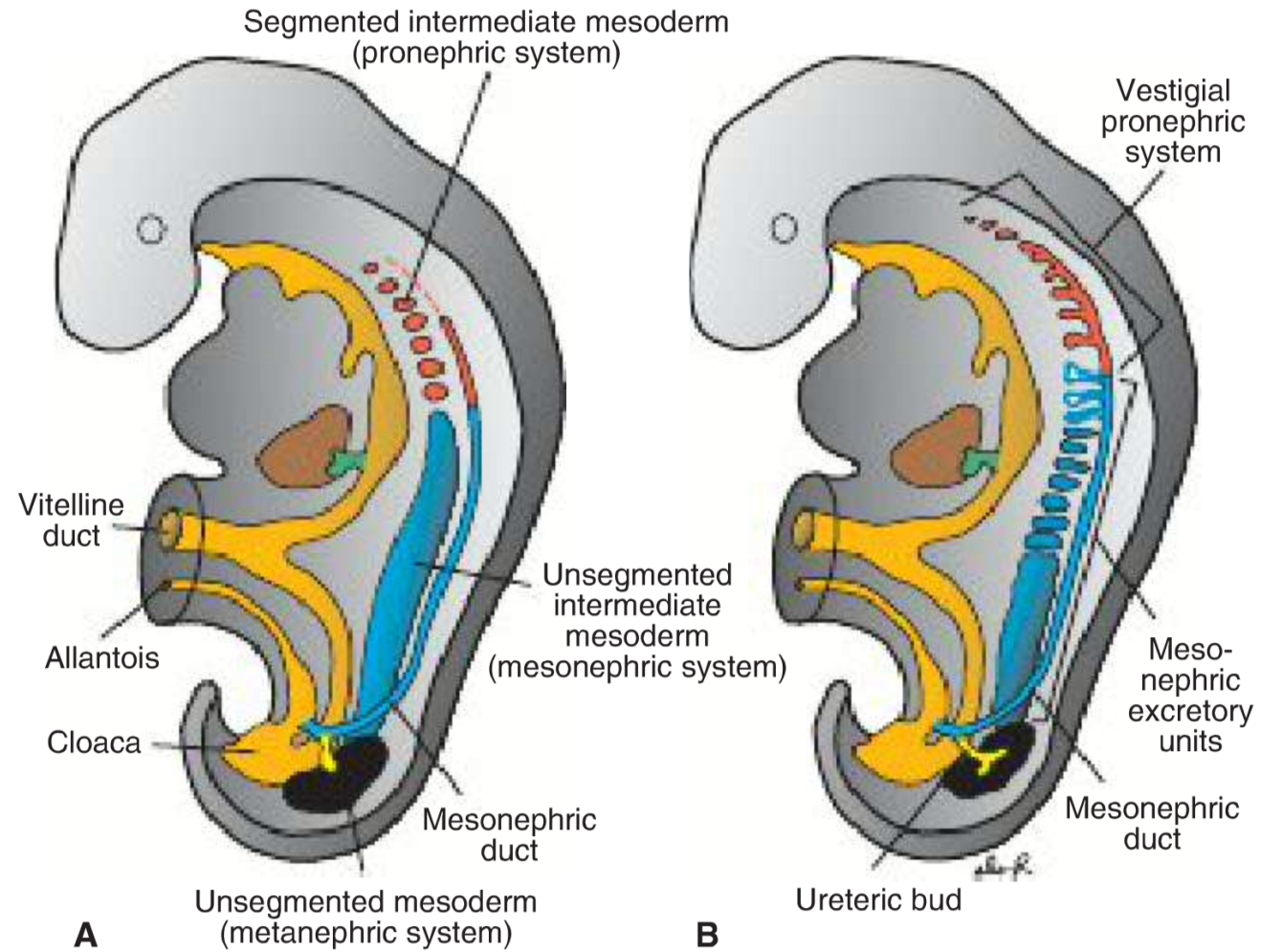
# Urinary system



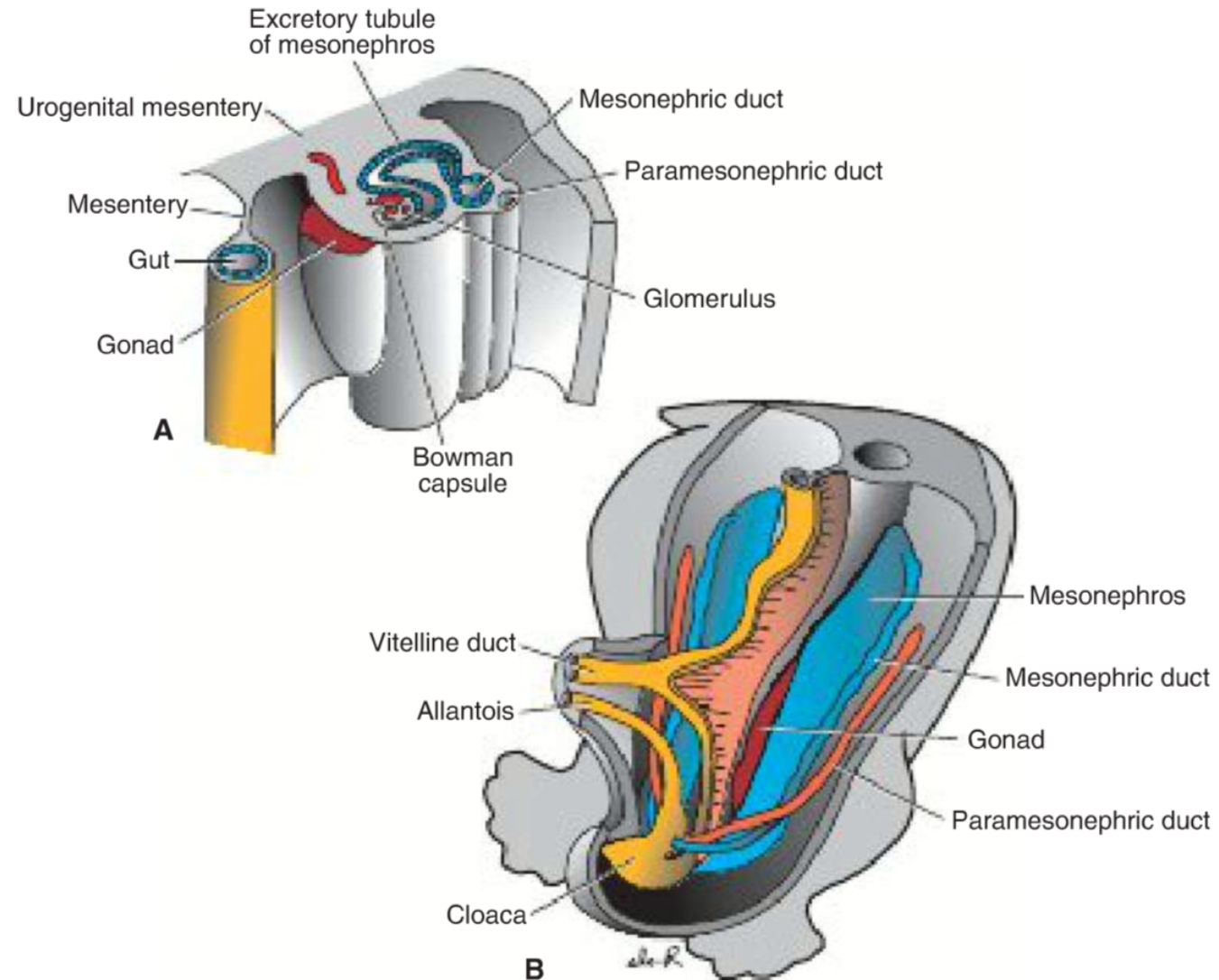
Pronephros: 4th week

Mesonephros: 4th – 10th week (6th – 12th week)

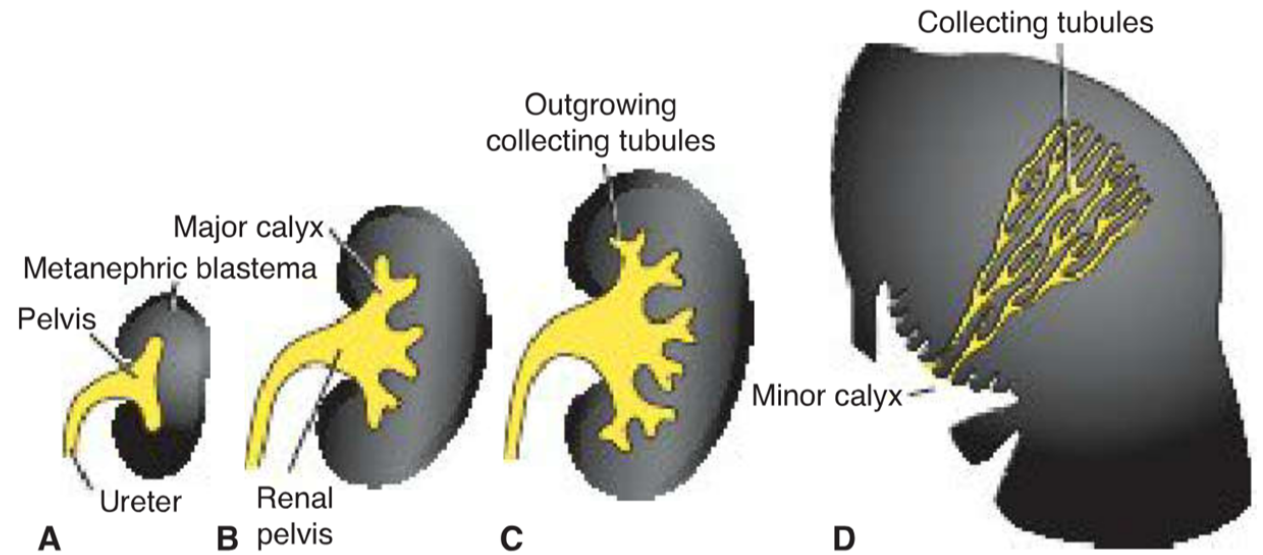
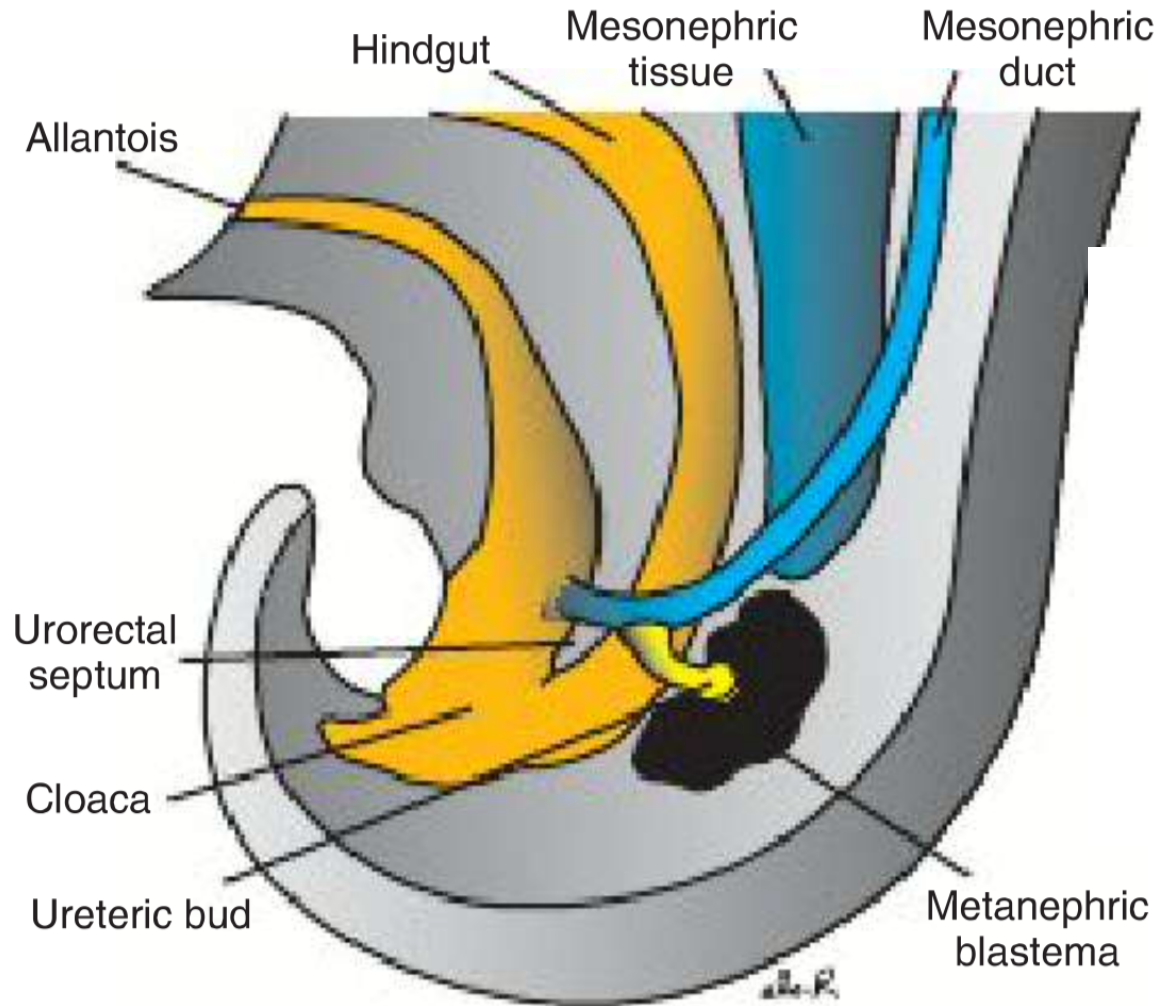
Metanephros: 5th to 9th week (12th week)



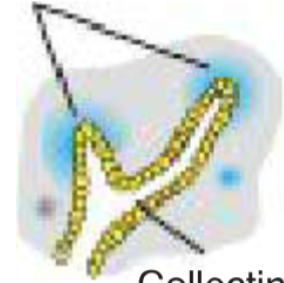
# Mesonephros



# Metanephros

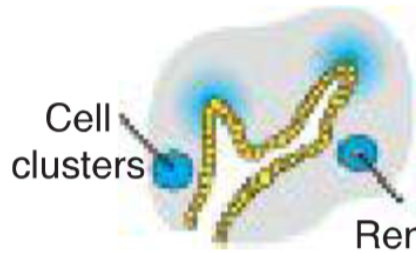


Metanephric tissue caps



**A**

Collecting tubule



**B**

Cell clusters

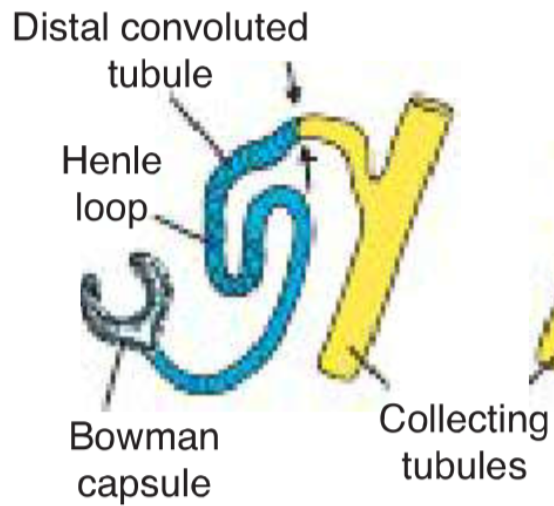
Renal vesicle



**C**

Nephron

Bowman capsule



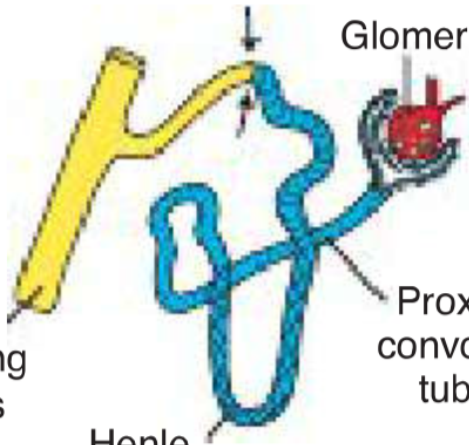
**D**

Distal convoluted tubule

Henle loop

Bowman capsule

Collecting tubules

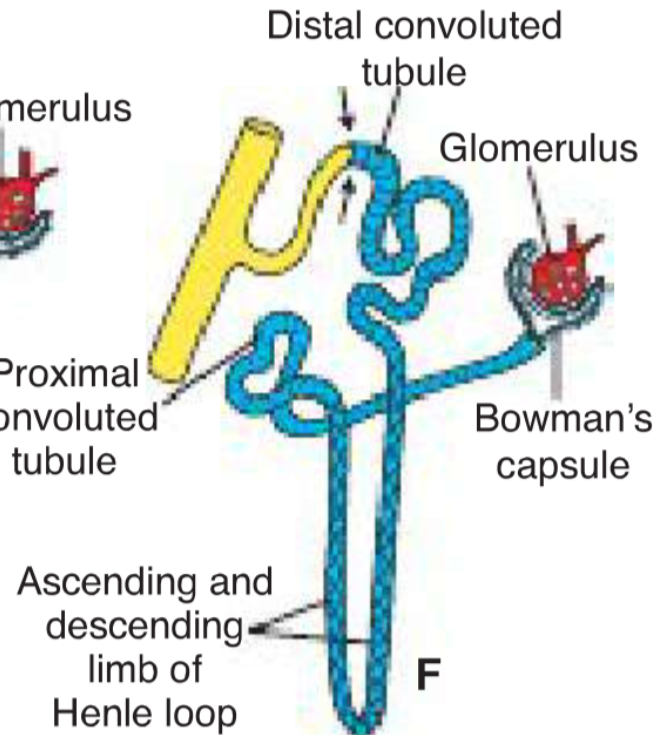


**E**

Glomerulus

Proximal convoluted tubule

Henle loop



**F**

Distal convoluted tubule

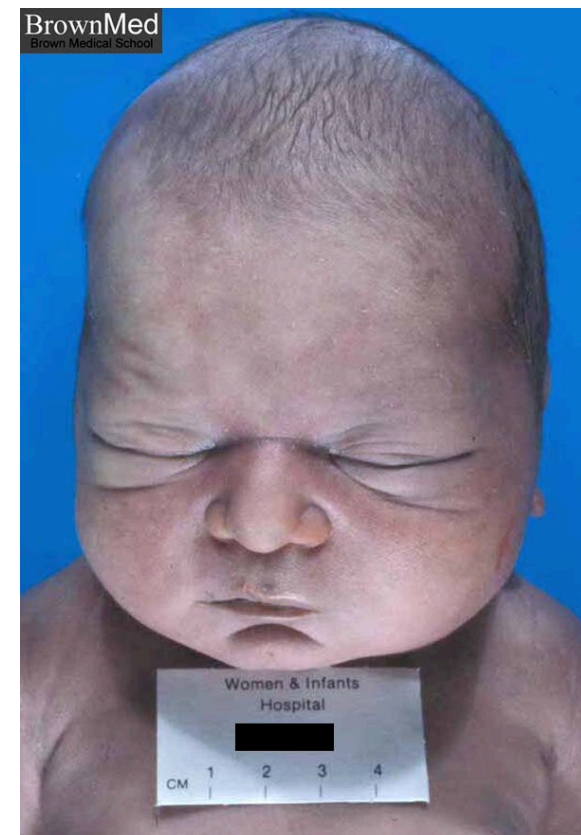
Glomerulus

Bowman's capsule

Ascending and descending limb of Henle loop

# Renal defects

- Renal agenesis:
  - unilateral (1/1000);
  - bilateral (1/3000 – 10000);
  - 3:1 males to females;
  - Potter sequence: anuria, oligohydramnios, pulmonary hypoplasia, Potter face



[https://www.brown.edu/Courses/Digital\\_Path/systemic\\_path/renal/R18](https://www.brown.edu/Courses/Digital_Path/systemic_path/renal/R18)

# POTTER SEQUENCE

\* (MOSTLY) AFFECTS NEWBORN MALES \*

\* CAUSED BY **OLIGOHYDRAMNIOS** \*

LOW AMNIOTIC FLUID

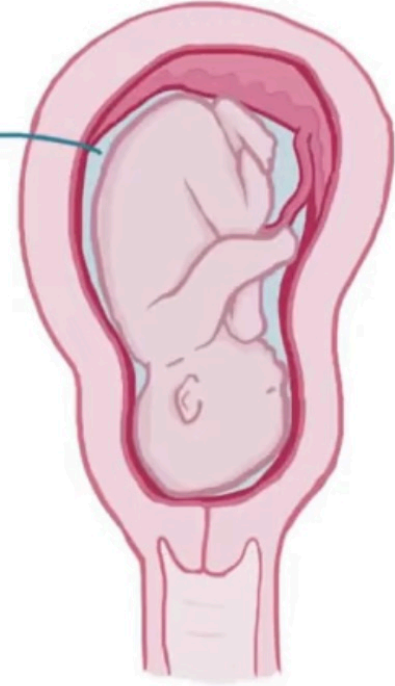
**PULMONARY HYPOPLASIA**  
**OLIGOHYDRAMNIOS**

**TWISTED SKIN (WRINKLES)**

**TWISTED FACE**

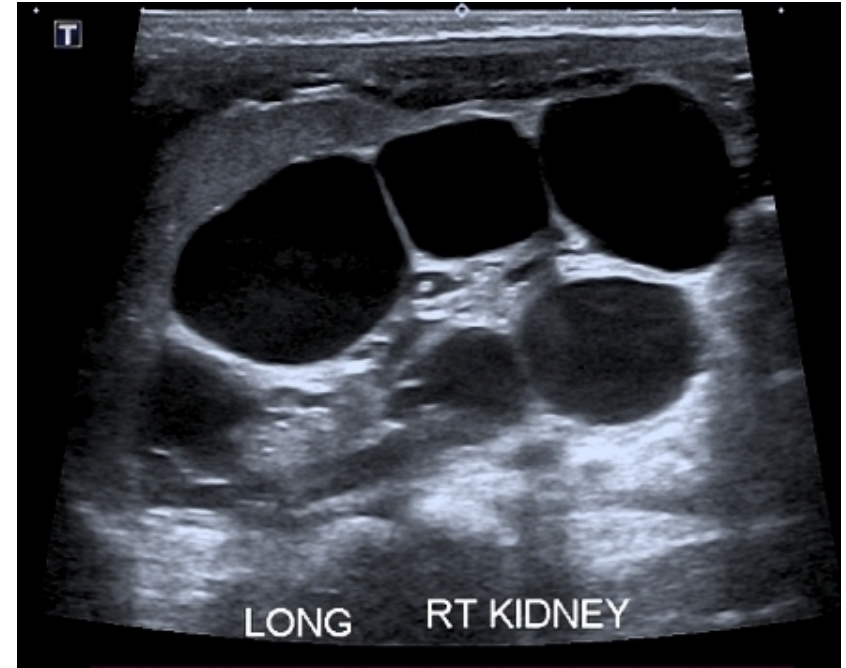
**EXTREMITY DEFORMITIES**

**RENAL AGENESIS**





- Renal displasia
  - Multicystic displastic kidney
- Congenital polycystic kidney disease:
  - autosomal recessive (1/5000)
  - autosomal dominant (1/500-1000)
    - group of cilliopathies Bardet-Biedl syndrome, Mackel-Gruber syndrom (lethal)



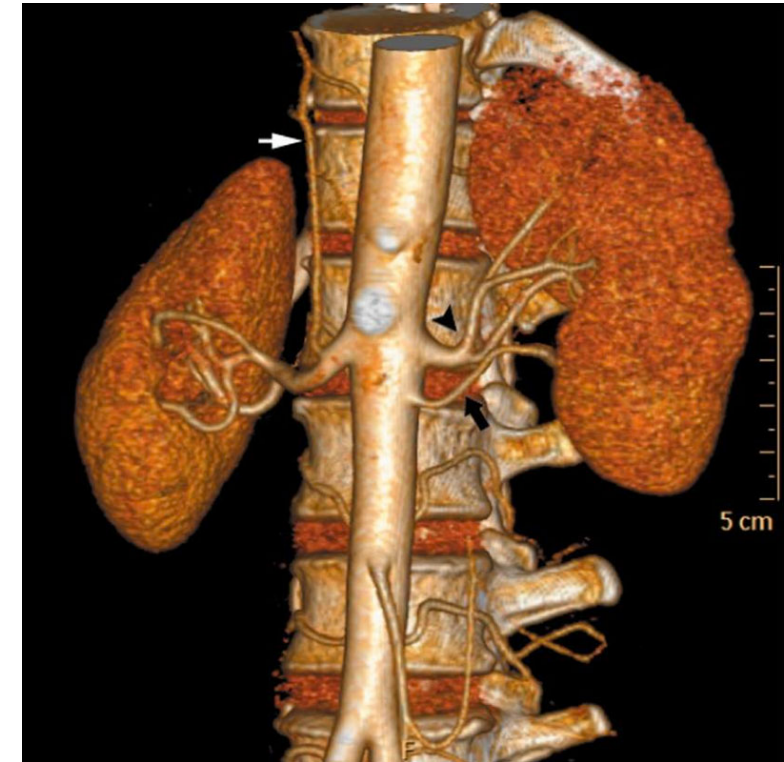
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- Duplication of the ureter – splitting of the uretric bud
- Ectopic ureter – development of two uretric buds
- Supernumerary kidney

Abnormal location:

- pelvic kidney
- horseshoe kidney (1/600)
- unilatelar fused kidney
- accessory (suprenumeral) renal arteries –  
25 % of kidneys have 2 to 4 arteries



## Renal tumors

- Wilms tumor – affects children by 5 years of age incl. fetal period –  
WAGR syndrom (microdeletion on chromosome 11 *WT1* and *PAX6* genes)

**W**ilms tumor

**A**niridia

**G**onadoblastomas

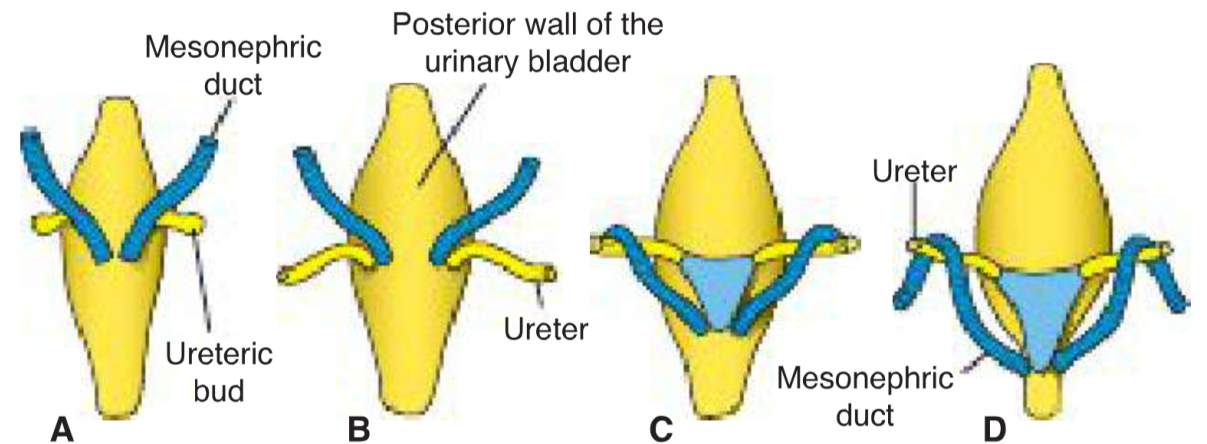
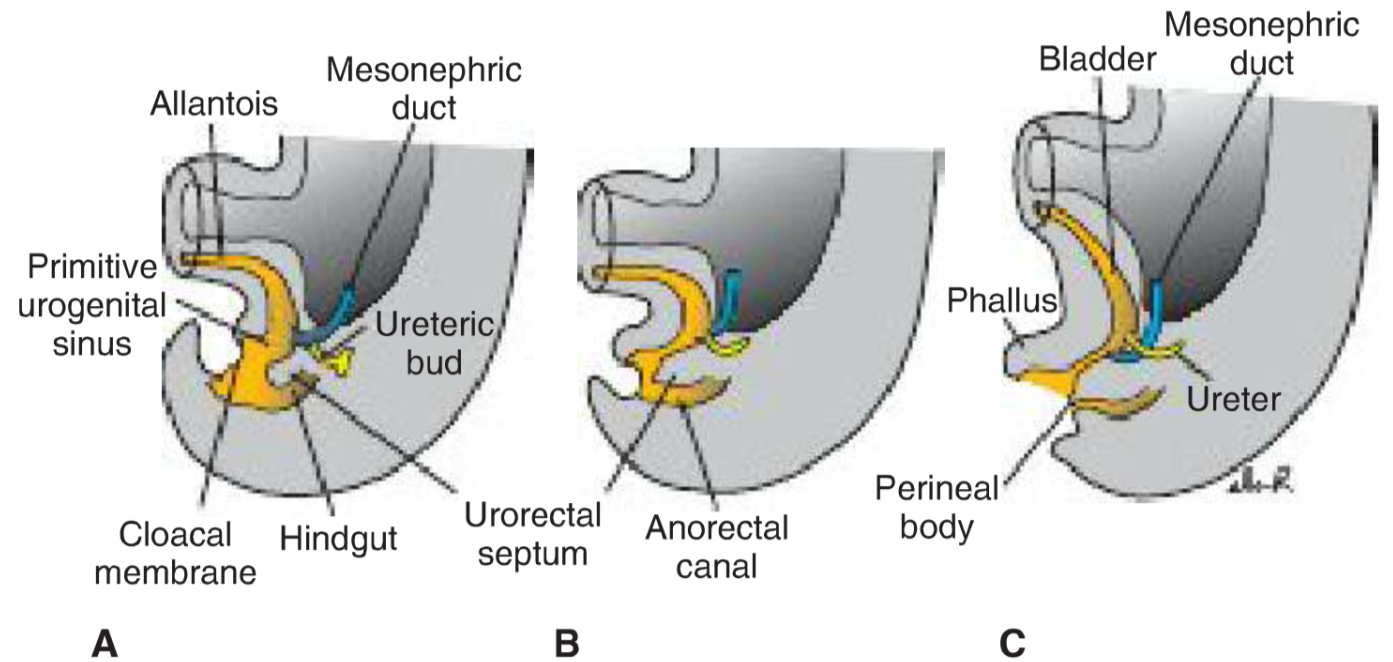
**R**etardation (intellectual disability)

Denys-Drash syndrom

# Bladder and urethra

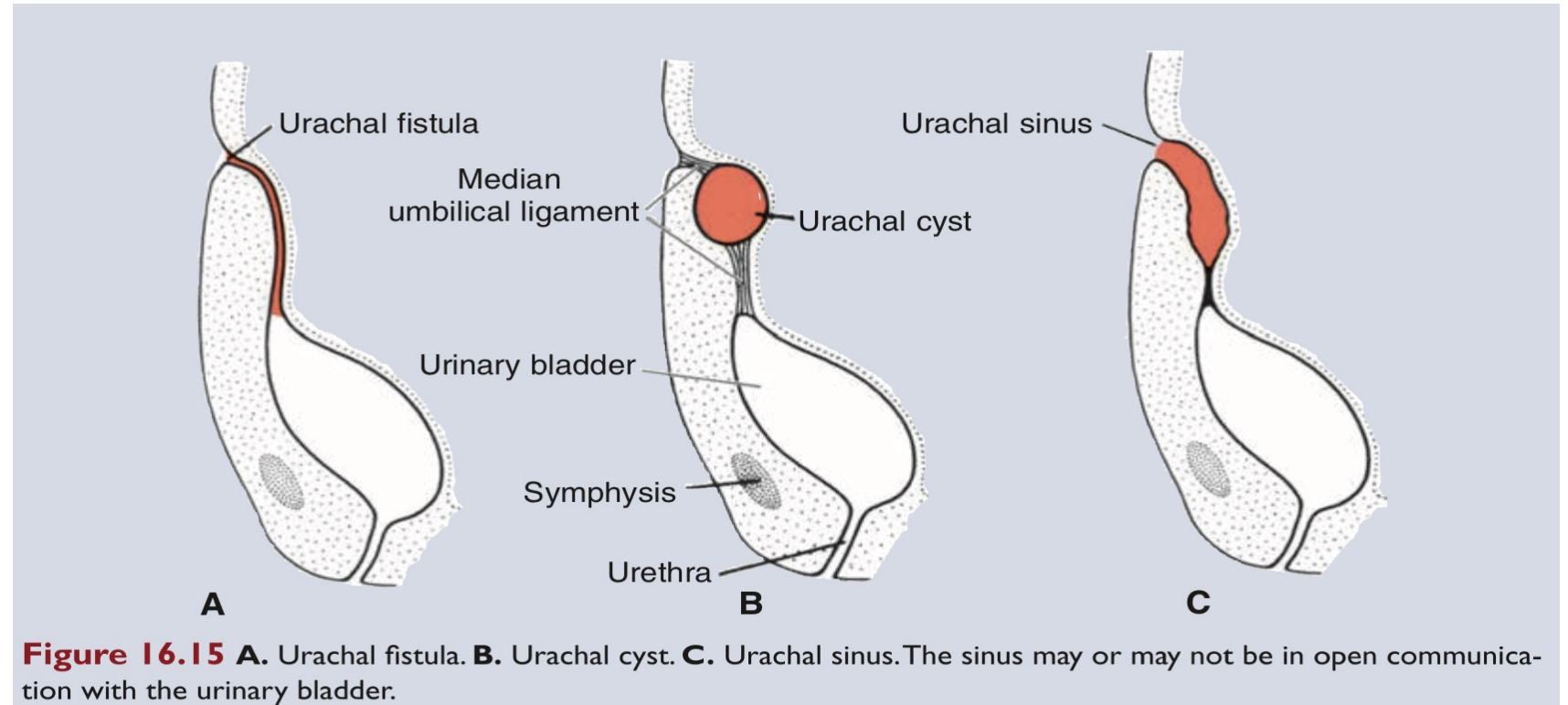
## Urogenital sinus:

- vesical part
- pelvic part
- phallic part



# Urachal abnormalities:

- urachal fistula
- urachal cyst
- urachal sinus



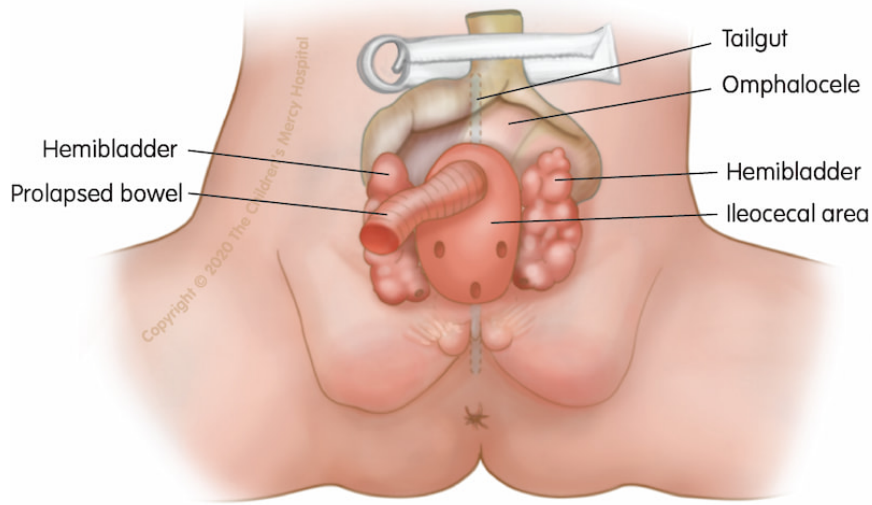
# Ventral body wall defects

- Extrophy of the bladder:  
(1/50000)
- Extrophy of the cloaca:  
(1/200000)



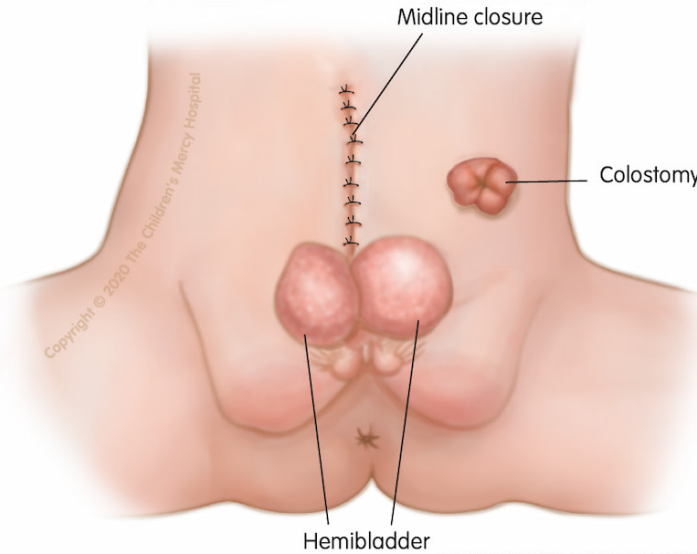
T.W. Sadler, Langman's medical embryology, 12th edition

**CLOACAL EXSTROPHY**



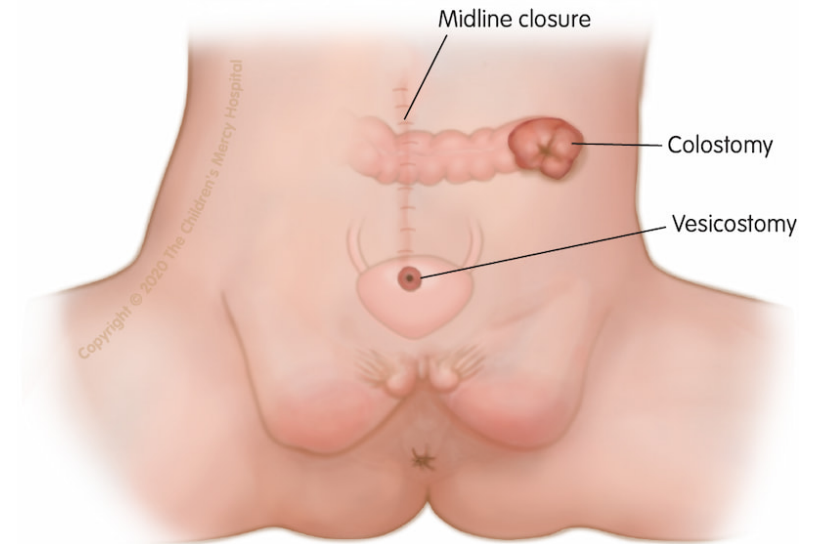
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**PRIMARY OMPHALOCELE CLOSURE**



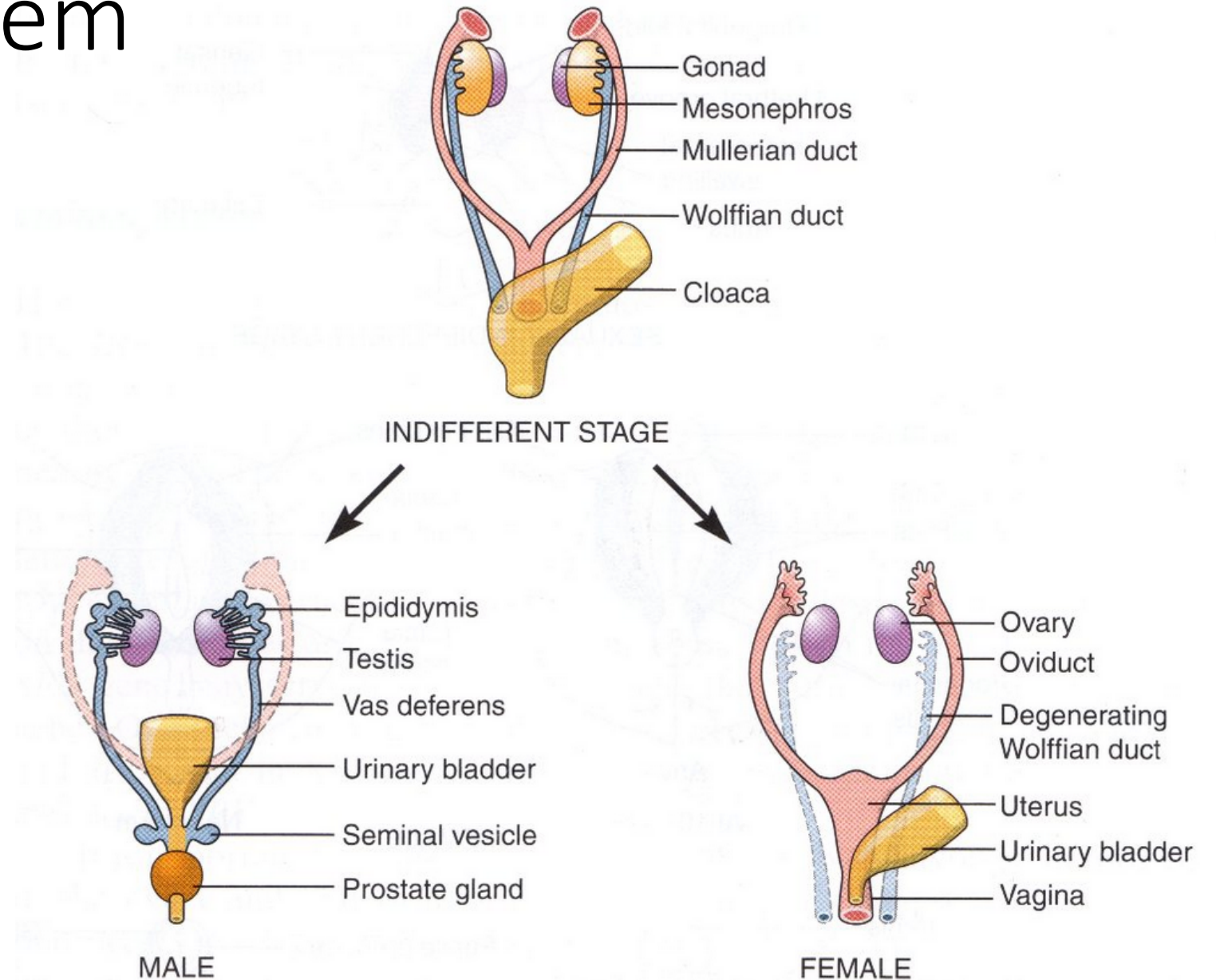
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**COMPLETE CLOSURE WITH  
COLOSTOMY AND VESICOSTOMY**

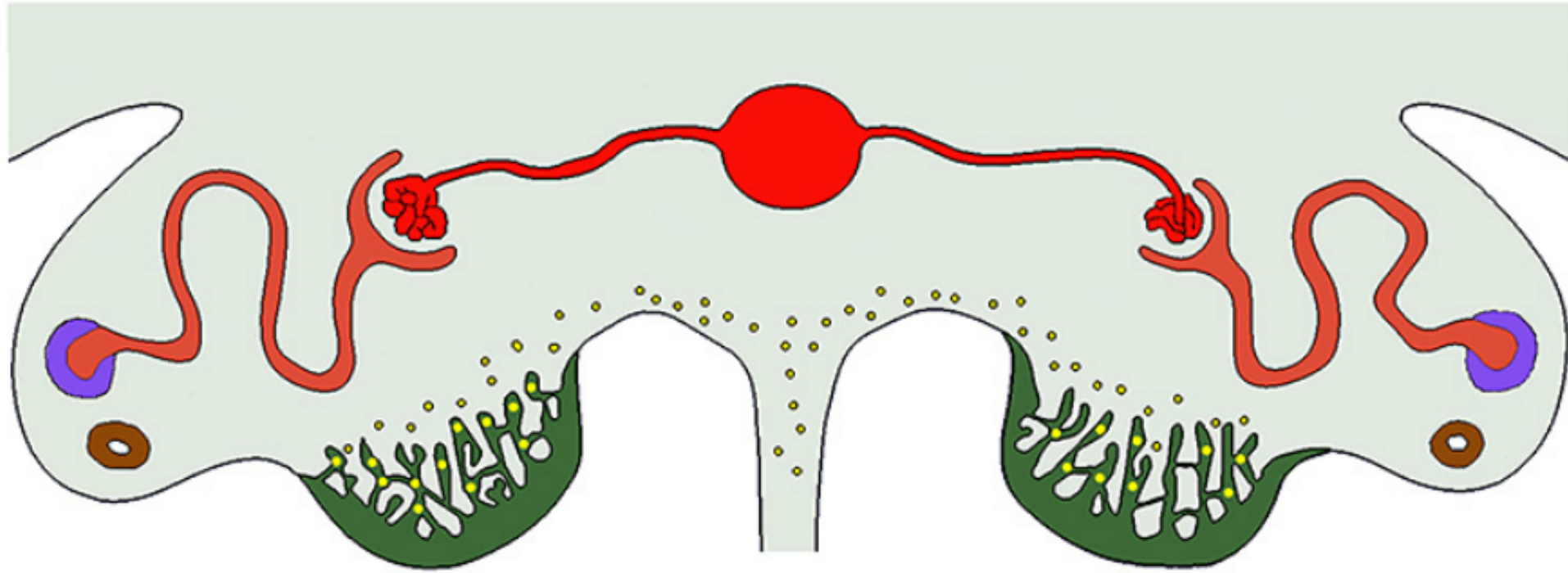


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# Reproductive system

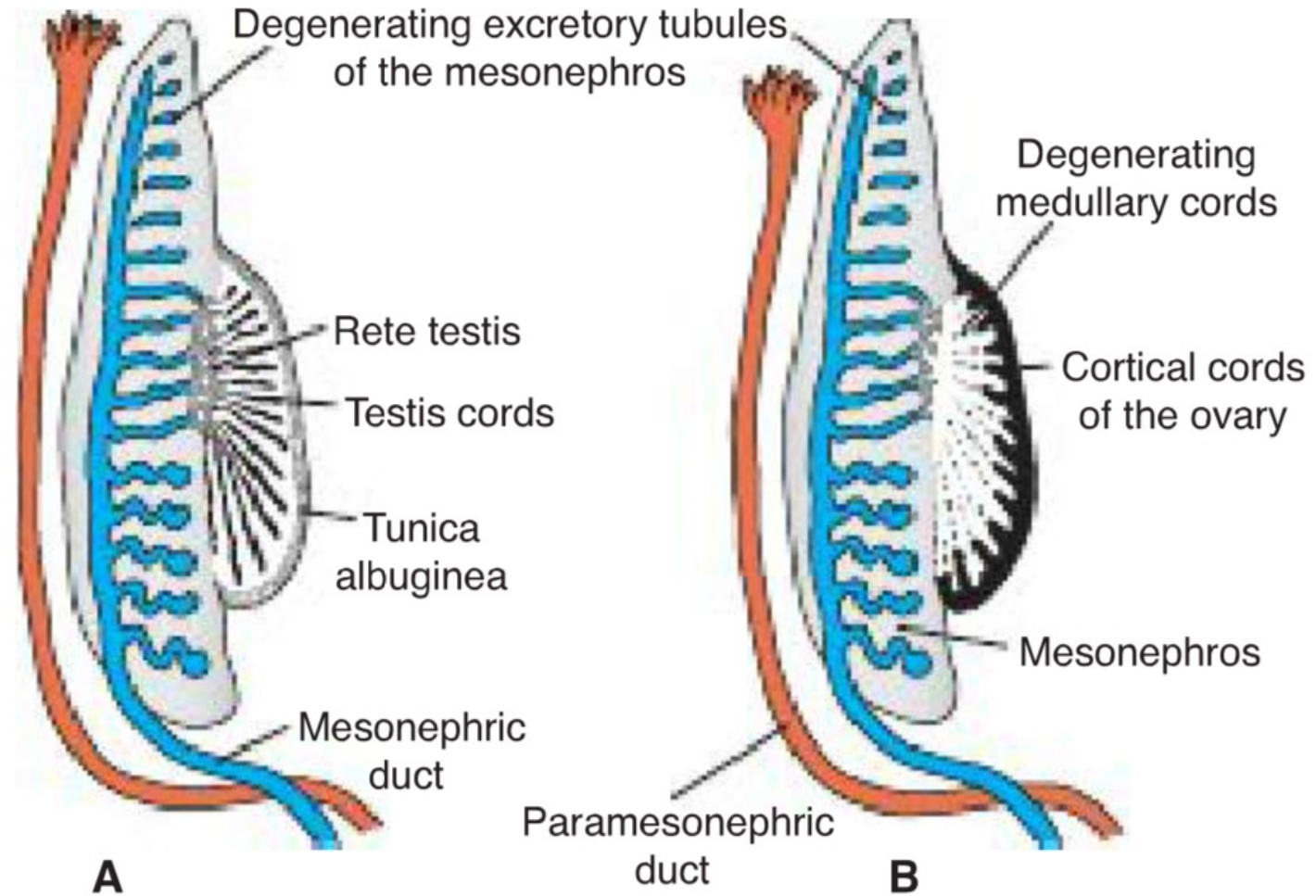


# Indifferent stage of the gonads



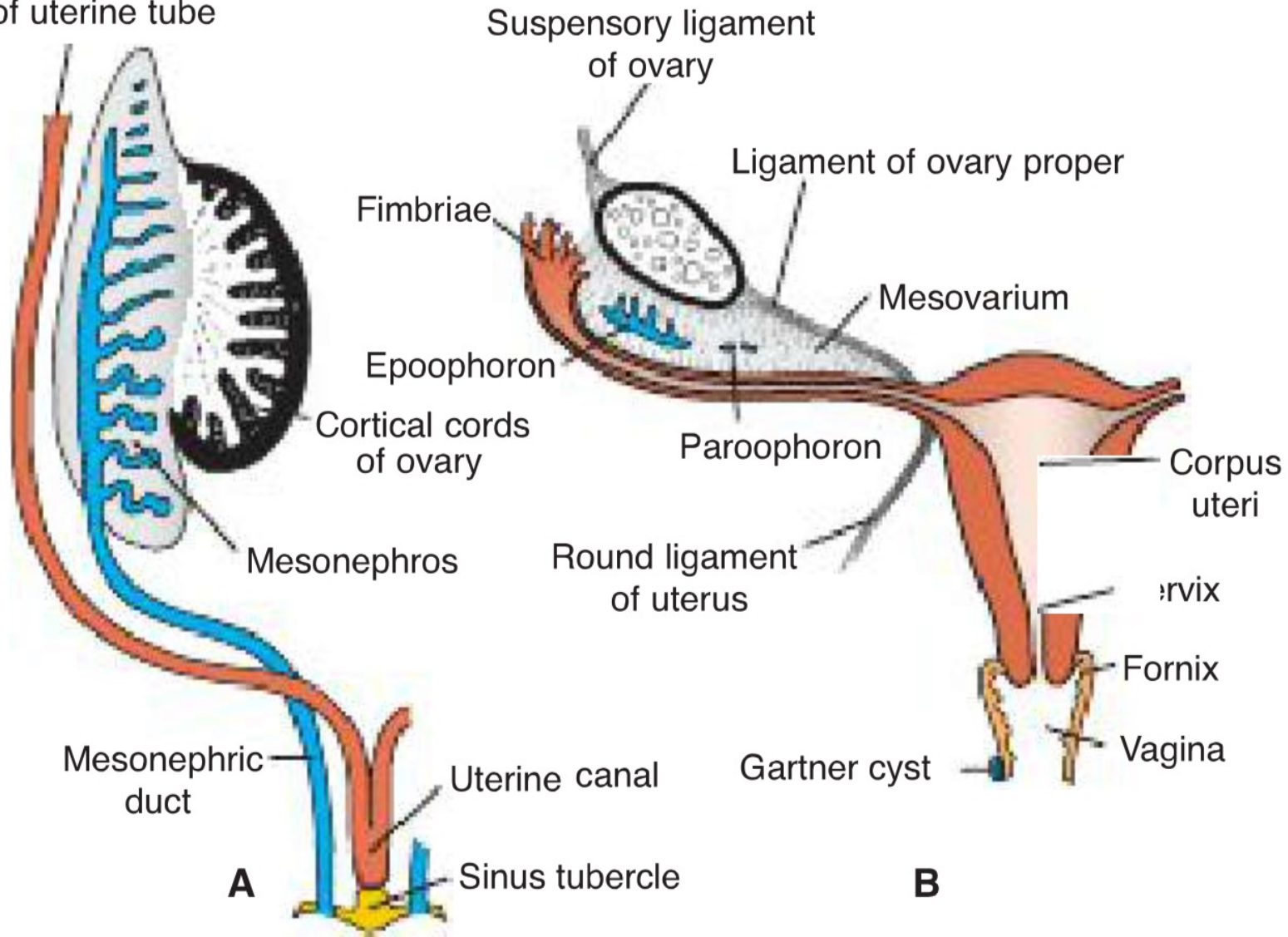


# Indifferent stage of the genital ducts

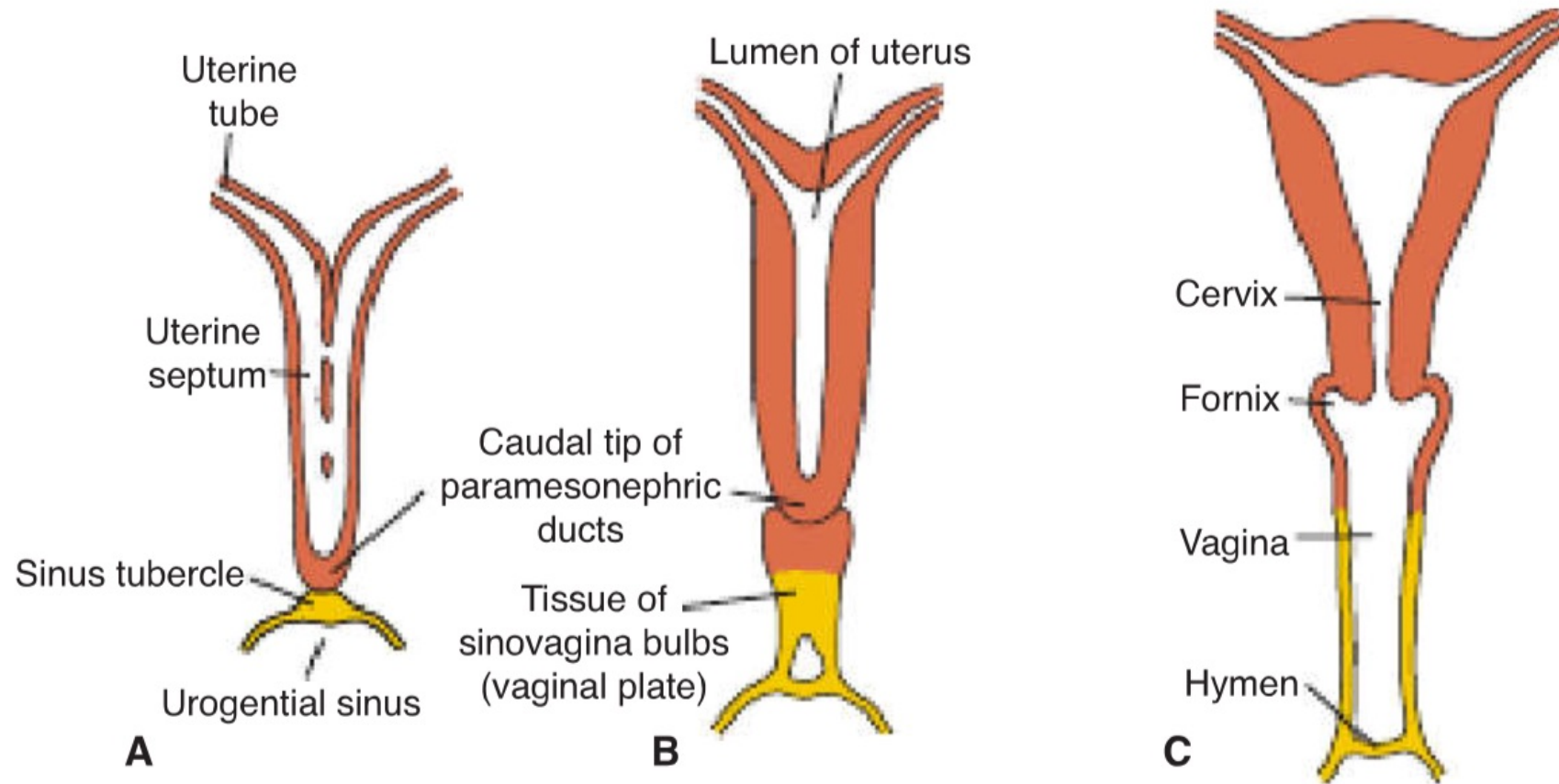


# Differentiation of the ducts - females

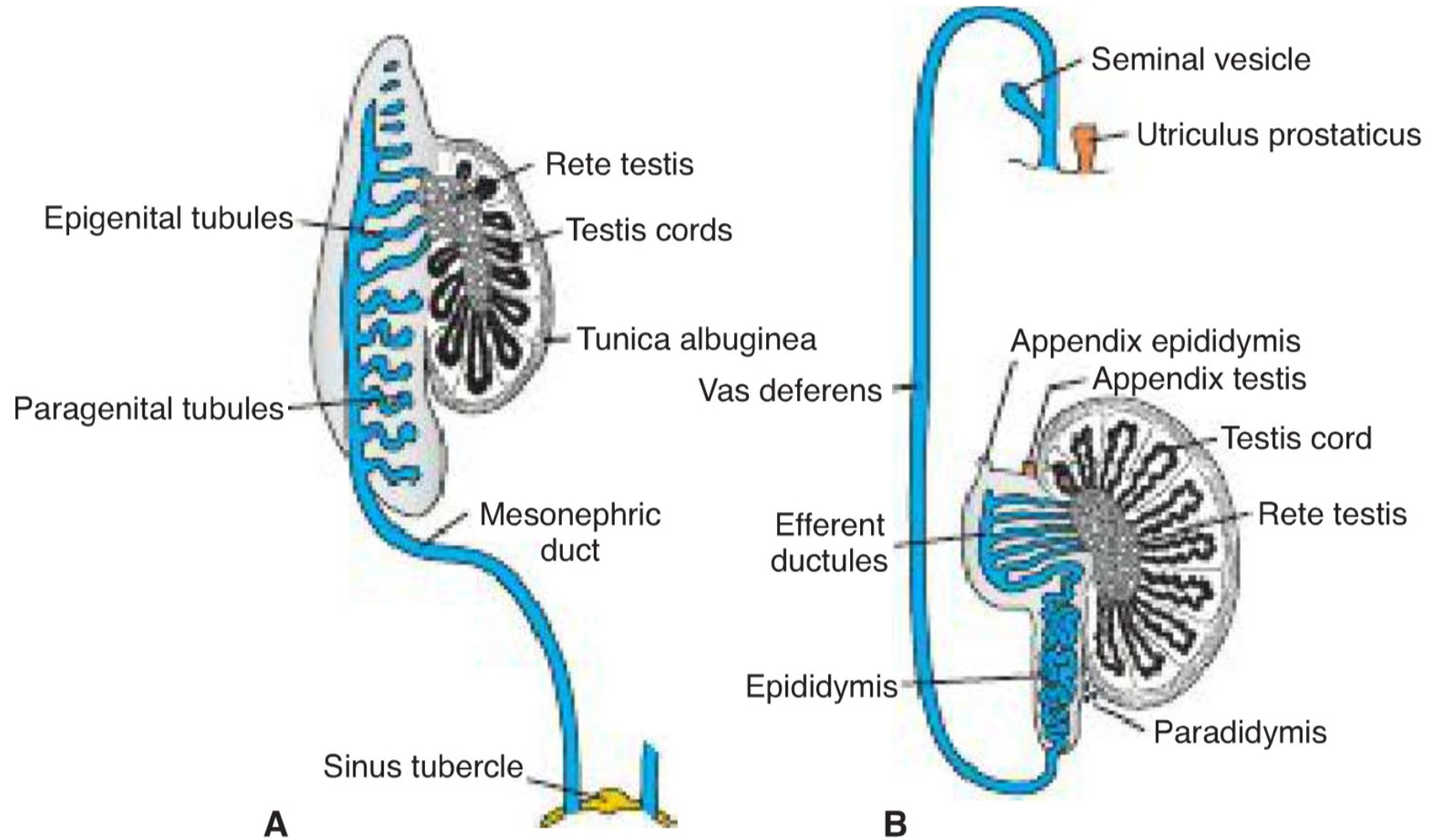
Abdominal ostium  
of uterine tube



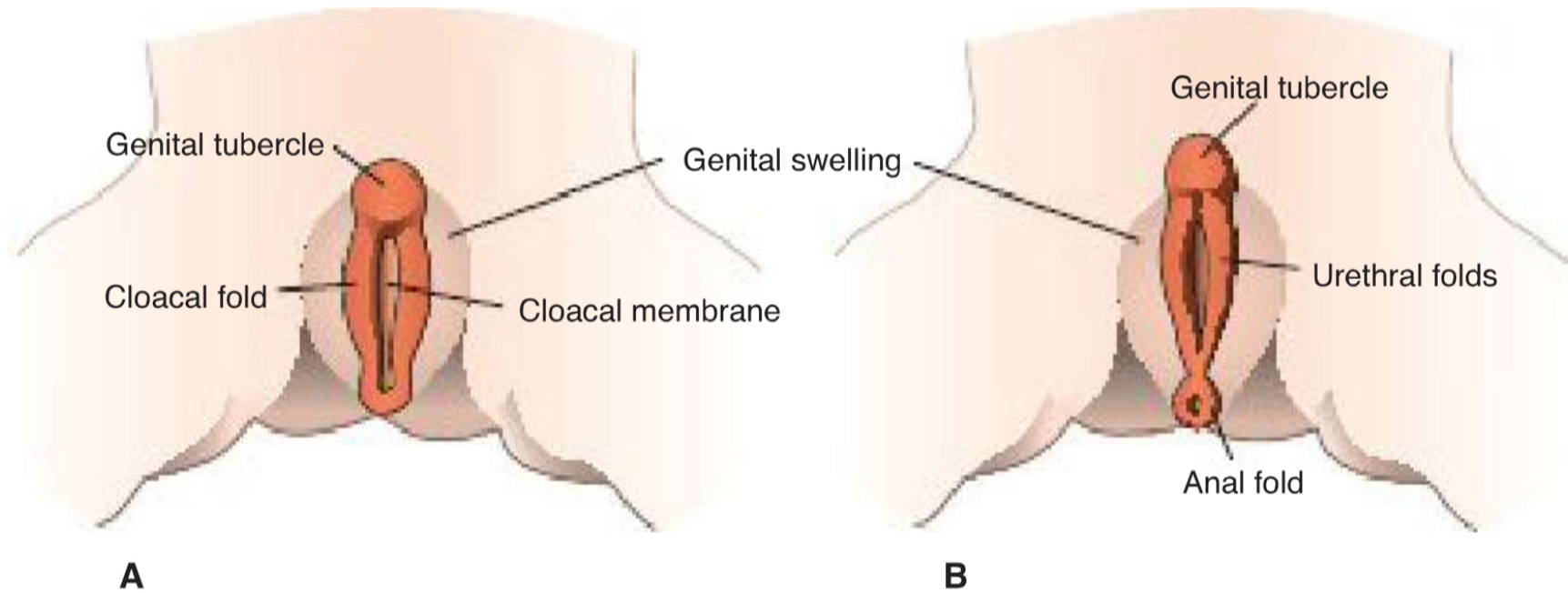
# Development of the vagina



# Differentiation of the ducts - males



# Indifferent stage of the external genitalia



# Disorders of sexual development (DSDs)

- Ambiguous genitalia: clitoral hypertrophy/small penis with hypospadias
- 46, XX DSDs:
  - - congenital adrenal hyperplasia, most common cause – 60 % of all DSDs
- 46, XY DSDs:
  - androgen insensitivity syndrom (AIS): complete (CAIS), mild (MAIS) or partial (PAIS)
  - 5- $\alpha$ -reductase deficiency: testosterone conversion into dihydrotestosterone is impaired

Ovotesticular DSDs - the caryotype is 46, XX in 70 % of cases

# Chromosomal aberrations

- Klinefelter syndrom – 47, XXY (XXXY...) – 1/1000 males: decreased fertility, small testes, decreased testosterone levels, gynecomastia in app. 33%
- Gonadal dysgenesis – oocytes are absent:
  - Swyer syndrome – XY female gonadal dysgenesis – point mutation or deletions of the SRY gene
  - Turner syndrome – 45, X

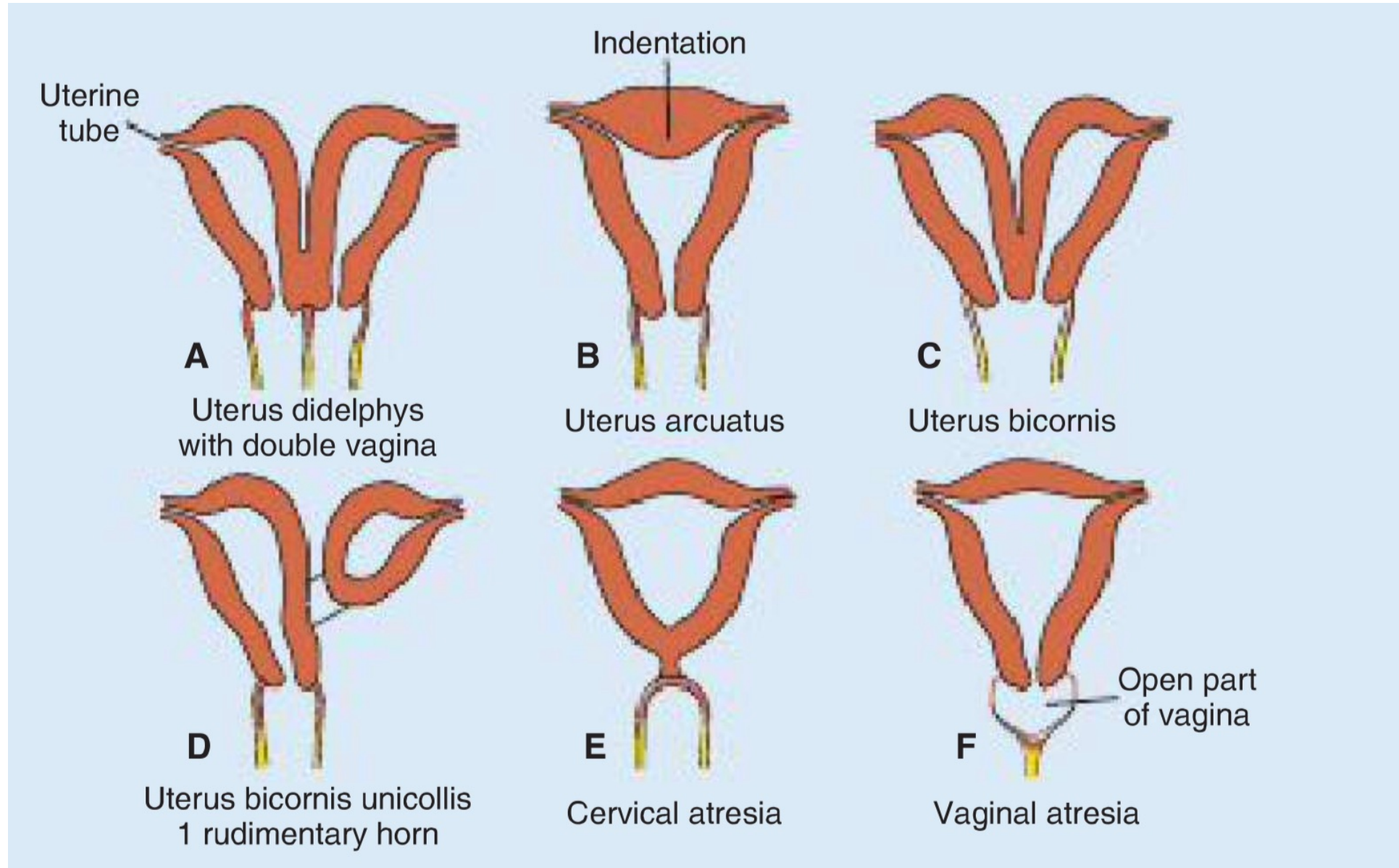


# Hernias and cryptorchidism

- Congenital indirect inguinal hernia
- Hydrocele of the testis and/or spermatic cord
- Cryptorchidism



# Uterine and vaginal defects



# Defects in male genitalia

- Hypospadias – 3-5/1000
- Epispadias – 1/30000 – most often associated with extrophy of the bladder and abnormal closure of the ventral body wall
- Micropenis – insufficient androgen stimulation – primary hypogonadism, hypothalamic or pituitary dysfunction
- Bifid penis